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COMPETITION OF YOUNG TYPOS.

M. G. Daniels Wins.

The Race for Second Place Close Between Connover and Wyman.

Brocks and Plowden Fail to Finish.

Last Monday was an unusual day for the apprentices in the School's Printing Office; the occasion being a competition between the apprentices to decide who was the fastest typo.

It had been long talked of and had created a very keen desire for the honor of first place.

After each competitor had gotten his case in order, provided himself with the necessaries for the race, their copy was handed to them. Each had the same number of lines, words etc.

Promptly at 9:40 a. m. the word "go" was given, and every one with em quad in hand stuck it into his stick. From that moment on not a sound was to be heard, save the pick and click as their nimble fingers let go the type in the stick.

The first to empty his stick was M. G. Daniels, who seemed destined to lead; he was followed closely by Henry Wyman. The other three Wm Connover, Thomas Brocks and John Plowden followed respectively.

The race at this point seemed to rest between Wyman and Daniels for first place, and their second sticks were emptied at the same time. Meanwhile the other typos were trying for second place, they having surmised that for rapidity they could not get first honors.

In the space of one hour and twenty minutes Daniels had set 1400 ems, and having finished, a proof was pulled. Wyman finished second, then Connover. At this juncture Brocks gave up his place seemingly disheartened. Plowden, the last to finish did not prove his matter.

Proofs having been taken and read the race was still continued. On this the race was to be decided. In his 1400 ems Daniels had the smallest number of errors among the competitors, they being twelve only; Connover had sixteen and Wyman forty-three. Daniels was declared the winner and carried off fifty cents of the prize money and the leadership of the office until the next race.

These young men have not been in the office one year, but show great zeal and aptitude in their work. By constant attention to their work they are likely to be good printers.

The reason why the competition was so close between Wyman and Connover is, though the former finished setting first his great number of errors could not be corrected before the latter finished and corrected his. Connover therefore captured second place and twenty-five cents.

The song of the Printer as published in the "American printer" is here given for our readers.

THE SONG OF THE PRINTER.

PICK and click
Goes the type in the stick,
As the printer stands at his case;
His eyes glance, quick and his fingers pick
The type at a rapid pace;
And one by one as the letters go,
Words are piled up steady and slow—
Steady and slow,
But still they grow,
And words of fire they soon will glow;
Wonderful words, that without a sound
Traverse the earth to its utmost bound;
Words that shall make
The tyrant quake,
And the fetters of the oppress'd shall break;
Words that can crumble an army's might,
Or treble its strenth in a righteous fight.
Yet types they look but leaden and dumb,
As he puts them in place with finger and thumb;
But the printer smiles,
And his work beguiles
By chanting a song as the letters he piles,
With pick and click,
Like the world's chronometer, tick! tick! tick!

O, where is the man with such simple tools
Can govern the world as I?
With a printing press, an iron stick,
And a little leaden die,
With paper of white, and ink of black,
I support the Right, and the Wrong attack.

Say where is he, or who may he be,
That can rival the printer's power?
To no monarchs that live the wall doth he give:
Their sway lasts only an hour;
While the printer still grows, and God only knows
When his might shall cease to tower"

ANON.

What a Club of Harvard Students are Doing to Help the Work at Tuskegee.

Some three years ago a number of young men residents of Cambridge, Mass. and most of whom are at present, members of Harvard College, began to help the work at Tuskkgee, by paying the expenses of one student who had no way to keep himself in school. Under the enthusiastic and wise guidance of a lady in Cambridge the good work of this club has increased from year to year. Last year it helped two students through at Tuskegee, and at a recent meeting pledged itself to help three the ensuing year.

In addition to helping the work at Tuskegee, this club helps needy persons and causes near home.

The money used to help in this way is earned by these young men; not given them by their parents, while they carry on their own studies. They are busy young men. Last year a good portion of the money was earned by a theatrical given by them.

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We return thanks to Hon. Joseph Wheeler for a copy of the Congressional Record, containing his recent speech in the house of Representatives on the Federal Election Law.

At a recent reception given by the Woman's Home Missionary Association in Boston, Miss L. V. Davis of Cotton Valley, and Miss Anna C. Hawley spoke interestingly about their work in the South; their speeches were very good. Mrs D. S. King, Portia and B. T. Washington were also present, the latter speaking.

We have received the initial number of the "East Alabama Republican" published at Opelika, Ala. It is a bright newsy journal, and deserves the support of every colored citizen of Opelika. No journal can live without the support of the people; and colored people especially should patronize their papers. We wish it success.

The Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute offers an opportunity to every worthy young man and woman to get an education. For information send for a catalogue to B. T. Washington, Principal, Tuskegee, Ala.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Thompson's Station, Ala., July 18, '90.
Dear STUDENT:—

It was some time in the early part of my June when first and last I wrote you till now.

Soon after my first letter was received I was stricken dow with typho-malaria fever, and heard no more from it until some time in July.

But that's all right. What I want to know is: Does the "Student" liveth and groweth? Glad to say that I am getting strong again. I am also getting to be an early riser. Rising at seven and somtimes a little later. Its fun then to see me dressing and brushing up for breakfast. It has been so long since I used to go, till I am fond going to breakfast, dinner and supper too. Who in benevolent Tuskegee is inclined the same way?

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The evening is some what gloomy. A light but growing cloud o'er hangs the sky; because of it the bright but warm sun is hid.

The day is nearing its close and the fishermen and other pleasure seekers are traveling homeward. From about nine until five the day was extremely beautiful.

It reminded me of the day we went out to the Camp Ground and talked about "Uncle Remus" "Bro Rabbit" and "Sis Cow."

Then too, I was invited to a big barbecue to day and was most too weak to risk it. They who attended are now returning and reported an excellent time.

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'Tis a pleasure to look out on the growing crop. As we look out and see cotton so well fruited with blooms first white, then red, then brown and crisp, and as we look on the large corn fields where it has tasseled and silkened and now is the full grown ear, we smile and pleasantly remember that: "It is the tillers of the soil who steer the ship of State."

The outlook is very favorable for farmers. They did well last year. They made good crops and most of them paid out of debt and saved money, but unfortunately they have not as yet learned to be patient.

Most of them spent all they saved, and for what was not a necessity and went into debt again. Buying horses, buggies and trotting carts. Don't you see they could have used that money in advancing themselves, and next fall had scarcely nothing to pay but a whole crop saved? or, if they will mortgage they might have laid down their savings and if times are tight next fall they will have ammunition and if otherwise 'twill be all the better.

But not all the distance off I imagine and think a different state of affairs will be realized.

Let us just labor and wait, remembering that: "Patience and diligence like faith remove mountains."

C. A. P.

PERSONALS AND LOCALS.

Mr. James A. Snead spent this week in Montgomery.

"Yes, pet the days are warm," says one, "but the evenings are delightful" says another.

Grapes are being gathered from the vineyard aad sent to the canning room to be put up.

Mr. J. W. Carter is down with what is thought to be typho-Malarial fever. We trust he may soon be out again.

Whenever you have printing to be done send it to the Normal School Printing Office.

Miss Carrie Trimble class '89, has resumed teaching the school she had at Society Hill.

Miss Lottie V. Young, who is now living in Boston writes that she is well pleased with her stay there.

Mr. N. E. Abercrombie class '88, has gone to Loachapoka to finish teaching the school he began in March.

Mr. Whittaker arrived on the 16th, and left again 18th to hold institutes at Union Springs and other points.

Miss Fannie Killian has gone to Notasulga, to visit Miss Sophia Warren. We wish her a pleasant visit.

Tuskegee can be said to be "risin," many new buildings are in process of erection, one of which is a spacious ware house.

Miss Lula Cropper class '89, has been confined to her room for several days. We are glad to note, that she is out again.

Miss Virginia Adams, Miss Ellie Clark and Mrs. Letitia B. Clark nee Adams are expected soon in Tuskegee from Brunswick, Ga.

Send in your subscription for "The Student." The price is 50 cts. a year.

Mr. William Connover, an apprentice in the office of the Normal School Press, who has been unwell for the past three weeks is out again.

Our Farm manager has had a very fine growth of melons thus far. He has just planted a new patch for late summer and early fall use.

If you want a competent teacher to teach during the summer months write at once to the Principal of this Institution.

The members of the base ball clubs are wondering what has become of that half day holiday they used to have last summer occasionally.

So far this summer we have had here comparatively speaking no sickness among the students; all have had real good health.

The students were highly elated at the fine rolls they had for supper Wednesday. They say that they would like to have Mr. Locket all the time.

We are proud to note that our little sheet is growing so interesting that evey day nearly subscription or letters come asking for a copy of the "STUDENT.". May the numbers increase.

A large number of students attended the service of the St. Mark's Church which is about four miles from Tuskegee. The choir from Mason's Grove church took part in the service.

The "red coat troopers" who have been occupying the upper story of Porter Hall were marched out recently; but after having compelled the rightful occupants to flee.

We received some very creditable specimens of printing from Mr. T. N. Harris, who is the enterprising manager of the Printing Office at the State Normal School, Montgomery. We wish him success.

Mr. M. B. Stevens, senior apprentice in the office of the Normal School Press, spent the present week in Opelika and Salem, Ala., visiting relatives and friends.

From corrospondence to friends here we are sure his stay was a pleasant one.

For the benefit of those who are to come it will be well to note that a line of divison has been drawn between the young ladies and young men and the girls and boys. That is, boys are allowed to call on the grils and young men are allowed to call on the young ladies.

The lads have found out that promptness and order are to be strictly observed at the dining room. In an incident which occured last week, a few of them were placed upon a special diet. Wind sauce and air pudding made up the bill of fare for a meal or too. Be careful boys.

Last Tursday evening a party of friend was invite to attend a sociable at the residence of Misses Emma and Louise Stevens, but to the regret of many the evening was very stormy and consequently they were unable to attend. We trust the occasion may not, like opportunities fly in straight lines, but will come again.

So much has been said about the "Greene farm" and how the watermelons surpassed those of the "Roy farm." Now I think it no more than right that some body speak and defend Mr. Roy. I had the pleasure of visiting the "Roy farm," and I think I am prepared to say that not only the watermelons but every thing raised on his farm compares very favorably with that of the "Greene farm." On the whole, Mr. Roy's farm looks as well as can be expected and it is not the least behind.

L. E. M.

If you expect to enter school next fall send for a catalogue. Address B. T. Washington.

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The school has now completed its eighth year and has 27 officers and teachers and an enrollment of 425 students, leaving out those in the Training school, representing all parts of Alabama and the Southern States.

THE COURSE OF STUDY.

For those who enter the Junior class, it requires 4 years for completion and special pains are taken to have the teaching thorough and students are not promoted to a higher class until the studies of the lower ones are well mastered.

For those unable to enter the Junior class, a Preparatory class is provided.

LAND.

The school owns a farm of 640 acres, 80 of which are under cultivation. It is the aim as far as possible to give the young men practical lessons in farming.

INDUSTRIES.

There are hundreds of Institutions North and South to which students can go and receive mental training, but those where an opportunity is given young men to learn a trade or some industry in connection with their class room studies, are few. It has been our aim from the first to combine thorough mental training with industrial work, and in this we think we have been successful.

All students living outside of Tuskegee board at the school.

The Institution charges $8.00 per month for board (including room, furniture, fuel, mending, washing etc., and both young men and young women work out on an average from $2.00 to $3.00 per month; thus leaving about $5.00 to be paid in cash. Some work out half

MILIARY ORGANIZATION.

There is a regular military organization among the young men under command of an officer of the school, each company being officered by students.

For teaching an erect and graceful carriage of the body, promptness, neatness and general order, the military organization is valuable. Students wear a neat plain uniform where they are able to purchase one. We advise parents to try to provide their sons with uniforms which are the cheapest in the long run, though the wearing of a uniform is not compulsory.

their expenses and a few work out all. What is not worked out must be paid in cash.

A great m ny acres of the farm have been set out in fr it trees and grape vines.

The printing office is prepared to do all grades of job work.

BUILDINGS.

There are, in all, 14 buildings, three of which are large and commodious.

Porter Hall and Armstrong Hall are used mainly for class-rooms and sleeping rooms for young men, while Alabama Hall, the Annex and Willow Cottage, are used for girls sleeping rooms and a boarding department for all of the students. A large and convenient barn, and several new cottages have been completed during this session.

On the whole, students will be made more comfortable in their rooms next session than ever.

ADVANTAGES.

The Institution is located near the center of the State in one of the most healthful and cultivated towns and can be reached by railroad. The location is one mile from the center of the town and is on the farm owned by the school. Those wishing to send their children to a place where they will not be surrounded by the temptations of a large city can not find a better place than Tuskegee. No whiskey is sold in the town or county, and the town is quiet and retired, and is just the place for study.

Tuskegee is 40 miles east of Montgomery and 5 miles from Chehaw station on the Western Railroad. The Western Union Telegraph Company has an office in Tuskegee. While the school enjoys the access that a large town does, it is at the same time far enough removed from the main line of travel, to make it free from the danger of contagious diseases. The climate is so good that it is very seldom the health of students is not greatly improved after a short residence.

HOME TRAINING.

The home training that students receive here is one of the most valuable parts of their education.

Special attention is given to the training of girls in matters pertaining to dress, health, etiquette, cleanliness physical development and general house-keeping. The rooms as well as the dress of boys and girls are closely inspected daily.

The girls receive the constant and strict care of the matron and other teachers, and are not permitted to leave the school grounds without being accompanied by a teacher.

SESSION, ETC.

The Institution opens the first Monday in September of each year, and continues in session 9 months. Application for admission should be made early. The required age for admission is 15 years.

The Institution is under the control of no religious denominational society, but aims to be earnestly Christian in its teaching and influence.

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